

Sinclair  
Broadcasting's  
illegal decision to  
force their stations  
to air an anti-Kerry  
documentary days  
before the election  
is a clear example  
of the dangers of  
media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the  
public airwaves free  
of charge, and is  
obligated by law to  
serve the public  
interest. But when  
large companies  
control the  
airwaves, we get  
more of what's good  
for their bottom  
line and less of  
what we need for our  
democracy.

Sinclair's actions  
show why we need to  
strengthen media  
ownership rules, not  
weaken them. They  
show why the license  
renewal process  
needs to involve  
more than a returned  
postcard.

I will personally  
oppose Sinclair's  
renewal application  
when it's time for  
them to get  
relicensed.